employees who have experienced a break in service and are selected to fill budgeted positions.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - State Personnel and Pensions

Section 13-304

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1997 Replacement Volume and 2001 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article - State Personnel and Pensions

13-304.

- (A) THIS SECTION APPLIES TO A CONTRACTUAL EMPLOYEE WHO:
- (1) WITHOUT A BREAK IN SERVICE, TRANSFERS TO A BUDGETED POSITION UNDER THIS SUBTITLE OR WHO IS SELECTED TO FILL A BUDGETED POSITION IN THE STATE PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT SYSTEM IN THE SAME PRINCIPAL UNIT THAT EMPLOYS THE CONTRACTUAL EMPLOYEE; OR
- (2) (I) AFTER A BREAK IN SERVICE, HAS COMPLETED 1 YEAR OF EMPLOYMENT IN A BUDGETED POSITION UNDER THIS SUBTITLE OR A BUDGETED POSITION IN THE STATE PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT SYSTEM IN THE SAME PRINCIPAL UNIT THAT EMPLOYED THE CONTRACTUAL EMPLOYEE PRIOR TO THE BREAK IN SERVICE;
- (II) DID NOT INCUR A BREAK IN SERVICE FOR MORE THAN 1 YEAR;
- (III) DURING THE BREAK IN SERVICE WAS EMPLOYED BY <u>THE</u> WASHINGTON COUNTY <u>HOUSING AUTHORITY</u> IN A POSITION THAT WAS SIMILAR IN DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES TO THE CONTRACTUAL POSITION.
- [(a)] (B) A contractual employee [who transfers to a budgeted position under this subtitle or who is selected to fill a budgeted position in the State Personnel Management System, without a break in service, in the same principal unit that employs the contractual employee,] shall be given credit for service in the contractual position for the purpose of establishing:
 - (1) steps in the pay grade applicable to the budgeted position;
 - (2) annual leave; and
 - (3) seniority rights.
- [(b)] (C) A contractual employee who transfers to a budgeted position under this subtitle or who is selected to fill a budgeted position shall become a member of the Employees' Pension System of the State of Maryland.